GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1807
ANSWERED ON:30.11.2000
CASES OF SENIOR CITIZENS
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Will the Minister of LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

to the reply given to USQ No.3811 on August 17, 2000 regarding cases of senior citizen and state:

(a) whether information in the matter has since been collected;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons for delay; and

(c) the time by which the information is likely to be collected?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) & (b): The information received from Supreme Courtof India and seven High Courts i s annexed. Information from other High Courts is still awaited.

(c): No fixed time-frame can be given.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1807 DUE FOR ANSWEI 30.11.2000.

Supreme Court of India The Supreme Court has expressed its inability to furnish the exact number of cases pending in the Supreme Court. However, the Supreme Court Registry has been issued instructions to make efforts to identify the matters relating to older persons and get them disposed of on priority basis.

HIGH COURTS

Sl.No.	Name of the High Court	No. of cases pending in High Courts & Subordinate Courts (in August 2000)	Further details
1.	Gauhati	617	The High Court have issued instructions to all outlying Benches of the High Court and the Subordinate Courts under the jurisdiction of Gauhati High Court to dispose of cases in which persons above 65 years of age are involved on priority basis.
2.	Himachal Pradesh	725 (District & Subordinate Courts only)	The High Court has issued instructions to all the Subordinate Courts in the State of H.P. to take up the cases of the persons

above the age of 65 years on priority basis.

3. Jammu and Kashmir — 1631 — The High Court has directed all Subordinate Courts to dispose of speedily cases involving persons above 65 years of age.

4. Kerala — 31586 (as on 1.4.2000 in District & Subordiante Courts only) — The High Court has issued instructions to subordinate courts to dispose of cases of senior citizens on priority basis. Such cases are being periodically monitored by the High Court.

5. Madhya Pradesh — 8635 (In High Court Only) — The High Court is following the Order of the Chief Justice of India in this regard.

6. Patna — 10077 (In District/ Subordinate Courts as on 1.1.2000) — The High Court has directed the Judicial Officers to identify the cases involving older persons more particularly those who are more than 65 years old, and dispose of the cases on priority basis during the year 1999 and these officers who dispose of such cases should be given extra credit of 10% of the units for final disposal of cases in normal course.

7. Punjab & Haryana — 8033 (In District/ Subordinate Courts of Punjab Haryana and UT of Chandigarh) — The High Court has issued necessary instructions to all the District and Session Judges to identify and dispose of cases in which persons above 65 years of age are involved on priority basis.